

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—24)

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Recess: Senate convened at 8:30 a.m., and recessed at 6:49 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Monday, February 7, 1994. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 1345.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of William W. Ginsberg, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, Richard Thomas Moore, of Massachusetts, to be Associate Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Jesse L. White, Jr., of North Carolina, to be Federal Co-Chairman of the Appalachian Regional Commission, and Brig. Gen. Eugene S. Witherspoon, USA, to be a Member and President of the Mississippi River Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Moore was introduced by Senator Kerry.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of David N. Merrill, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of Bangladesh, and Sandra L. Vogelgesang, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Nepal, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

SOUTH ASIA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs concluded hearings to examine current developments in South Asia, after receiving testimony from Robin L. Raphel, Assistant Secretary of State for South Asian Affairs.

HEALTH CARE REFORM

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee resumed hearings on the Administration's proposed Health Security Act, to establish comprehensive health care for every American, focusing on guaranteed preventive and primary care benefits, receiving testimony from Edwin C. Hustead, Hay/Huggins Company, Inc., and Gail Shearer, Consumers Union, both of Washington, D.C.; Margaret H. Jordan, Southern California Edison Company, Rosemead, California; Cindy Mann, Massachusetts Law Reform Institute, Boston, Massachusetts; Ronald Burd, The Deveraux Foundation, Devon, Pennsylvania; and William H. Straub, Westport, Connecticut, on behalf of the Jackson Hole Group.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, February 8.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held at noon on Monday, February 7.

Committee Meetings

LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, HHS, and Education continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue February 9.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislation held a hearing on the GAO. Testimony was heard from Charles A. Bowsher, Comptroller General of the United States, GAO.

DRIVER'S PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights continued hearings on H.R. 3365, Driver's Privacy Protection Act of 1993. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HEALTH CARE REFORM—THE ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSALS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health continued hearings on Health Care Reform: The Administration's Health Care Reform Proposals. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue February 7.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT—UNEMPLOYMENT

Joint Economic Committee: Committee held hearings on the employment-unemployment situation for January, receiving testimony from Katharine G. Abraham, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

Committee recessed subject to call.

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Monday, February 7, 1994

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1358–1467

Measures Introduced: Four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1831–1834, and S. Con. Res. 60.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 3617, to amend the Everglades National Park Protection and Expansion Act of 1989. (S. Rept. No. 103–224)

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Measures Passed:

Highway Bridge Replacement Funds: Senate passed S. 1789, to amend title 23, United States Code, to permit the use of funds under the highway bridge replacement and rehabilitation program for seismic retrofit of bridges.

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Goals 2000: Educate America Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1150, to improve learning and teaching by providing a national framework for education reform, to promote the research, consensus building, and systemic changes needed to ensure equitable educational opportunities and high levels of educational achievement for all American students, to provide a framework for reauthorization of all Federal education programs, and to promote the development and adoption of a voluntary national system of skill standards and certifications, with the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

(1) Coats Amendment No. 1386, to provide a low-income school choice demonstration program.

(2) Grassley Modified Amendment No. 1388, to prohibit the use of certain funds for activities related to a student's personal values, attitudes, beliefs, or sexual behavior without certain consent, notification, access to information, and an opportunity for a hearing, to provide for enforcement of such prohibition, and to require the Secretary of Education to designate or establish an office and review board within the Department of Education.

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(3) Mack Amendment No. 1389, to achieve significant school reform and innovation through empowering parents, students, teachers, and local school boards.

(4) Helms Amendment No. 1390, to prohibit the use of funds to support the distribution or provision of condoms or other contraception devices or drugs to an unemancipated minor without the prior written consent of such minor's parent or guardian.

(5) Kennedy/Jeffords Amendment No. 1393, to ensure that all federally funded programs which provide for the distribution of contraceptive devices to unemancipated minors develop procedures to encourage family participation in such programs.

(6) Levin Amendment No. 1394, to provide that no funds shall be denied to any State or local agency because

it has adopted a constitutional policy relative to prayer in public schools.

(7) Jeffords/Gregg/Dodd Amendment No. 1420, to express the sense of the Senate that the Federal Government should provide States and communities with adequate resources under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act as soon as reasonably possible, through the reallocation of funds within the current budget constraints.

Withdrawn:

Kennedy Amendment No. 1421 (to Amendment No. 1388), in the nature of a substitute.

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By unanimous-consent agreement, Byrd Amendment No. 1391, to improve student's academic achievement, agreed to on Friday, February 4, 1994, was modified.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Tuesday, February 8, and, by prior unanimous-consent agreement, votes on certain of the pending amendments will occur beginning at 10 a.m.

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School-to-Work Opportunities Act: Senate began consideration of S. 1361, to establish a national framework for the development of School-to-Work Opportunities systems in all States, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on amendments to be proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages 1358, 1385, 1399, 1461

Adopted:

(1) Kassebaum Modified Amendment No. 1424, to allow States to combine certain Federal funds to develop and establish statewide School-to-Work Opportunities systems.

Pages 1006, 1405

(2) Kassebaum Modified Amendment No. 1425, to limit the fiscal years for which appropriations are authorized.

Pages 1380, 1385, 1408

(3) Gregg Amendment No. 1426, to establish a limitation on unfunded Federal mandates.

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(4) Pressler Amendment No. 1427, to provide for assistance to consortia of Congressional Districts with low population densities for the development and establishment of School-to-Work Opportunities systems.

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Subsequently, the amendment was modified.

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(5) Thurmond Amendment No. 1428, to give priority for implementation grants to applicants that describe systems that include programs that will provide paid high-quality, work-based learning experiences.

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(6) Nickles Modified Amendment No. 1430, to limit the amount of funds authorized to be appropriated to carry out School-to-Work Opportunities programs.

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(7) Simon (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 1431, to encourage grants to partnerships serving high poverty areas.
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Pending:

(1) Gorton Amendment No. 1429, to encourage the placement of youths in private sector jobs under the Summer Youth Employment and Training Program.
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(2) Kassebaum (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 1432, to prohibit the use of funds for School-to-Work Opportunities programs until the deficit increase resulting from fiscal year 1994 emergency spending is eliminated.
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(3) Kassebaum (for Dole) Amendment No. 1433, to express the sense of the Senate regarding a limitation on the amount of funds appropriated to carry out School-to-Work Opportunities programs.
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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill on Tuesday, February 8, with a vote on the motion to table Amendment No. 1429, listed above, to occur thereon.
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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report of the budget of the U.S. Government for fiscal year 1995; which was referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, to the Committee on the Budget, and to the Committee on Appropriations. (PM-84).
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Transmitting a report of proposed rescissions of budget authority; which was referred jointly, pursuant to the order of April 11, 1986, to the Committee on the Budget, to the Committee on Appropriations, to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry, to the Committee on Armed Services, to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, to the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, to the Committee on Foreign Relations, to the Committee on Finance, to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources, and to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (PM-85).
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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination: Charles B. Curtis, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Energy.
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Nomination—Cloture Motion Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination of M. Larry Lawrence, of California, to be Ambassador to Switzerland and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Wednesday, February 9, 1994.
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Messages From the President:

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Communications:

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Statements on Introduced Bills:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Notices of Hearings:

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Authority for Committees:

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Recess: Senate convened at 10 a.m., and recessed at 7:11 p.m., until 9:15 a.m., on Tuesday, February 8, 1994. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page 1467.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Wesley W. Egan, Jr., of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, and Robert H. Pelletreau, Jr., of Connecticut, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Five resolutions, H. Con. Res. 202 and H. Res. 347-350 were introduced.
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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Montgomery to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.
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Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Budget policy: Message wherein he transmits the fiscal year 1995 budget—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 103-179); and
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Budget rescissions: Message wherein he reports 1 revised deferral of budget authority totaling 1.6 billion, 3 revised rescission proposals, and 27 new proposed rescissions of budget authority—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 103-205).
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Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at noon and adjourned at 12:24 p.m.

Committee Meetings

HEALTH CARE REFORM

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on Health Care Reform Alternatives: Single-Payor Plan. Testimony was heard from Senator Wellstone; Representatives McDermott and Stark; and public witnesses.

IMPACT OF SECONDHAND SMOKE AND SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENT ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and the Environment held a hearing on the impact of secondhand smoke and H.R. 3434, Smoke-Free Environment Act of 1993. Testimony was heard from Carol Browner, Administrator, EPA; M. Jocelyn Elders, M.D., Surgeon General, U.S. Public Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

EMPOWERMENT ZONES AND ENTERPRISE COMMUNITIES

Committee on Public Works and Transportation: Subcommittee on Economic Development held a hearing to review current efforts and plans of the Economic Development Administration and the Appalachian Regional Commission as well as other Agencies to support Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities with Infrastructure Development. Testimony was heard from Wilbur F. Hawkins, Acting Assistant Secretary, Economic Development, Department of Commerce; Peter B. Edelman, Counselor to the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services; Michael T. Savage, Deputy Director, Economic Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Michael R. Wenger, States' Washington Representative, Appalachian Regional Commission; and Peter Necheles, Special Assistance to the Under Secretary, Small Community and Rural Development, USDA.

HEALTH CARE REFORM—INNER-CITY AND RURAL COMMUNITIES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health continued hearings on Health Care Reform: Issues relating to inner-city and rural communities. Testimony was heard from Representatives Stenholm, Roberts, and Thomas of Wyoming; Philip Lee, M.D., Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue February 9.

Tuesday, February 8, 1994

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1474–1551

Measures Introduced: Three bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1835–1837.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 3759, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1994, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1608, to rescind certain budget authority proposed to be rescinded in special messages transmitted to the Congress by the President on November 1, 1993, in accordance with title X of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, as amended, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1832, to rescind certain budget authority proposed to be rescinded in a special message transmitted to the Congress by the President on February 7, 1994, in accordance with title X of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, as amended, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

School-to-Work Opportunities Act: By 62 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 32), Senate passed H.R. 2884, to establish a national framework for the development of School-to-Work Opportunities systems in all States, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof, the text of S. 1361, Senate companion measure, after agreeing to a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on amendments to be proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

(1) Kassebaum (for Dole) Modified Amendment No. 1433, to express the sense of the Senate regarding a limitation on the amount of funds appropriated to carry out School-to-Work Opportunities programs.

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(2) Murkowski Amendment No. 1434, to include Alaska Natives in a program for Native culture and arts development.

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Rejected:

Gorton Amendment No. 1429, to encourage the placement of youths in private sector jobs under the Summer